

Advisory Council, to the effect that the surpluses declared by Provinces and States were insufficient to meet the stated defects, will the Government be pleased to state the latest figures regarding Travancore?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : The question is not intelligible.

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Communication facilities.

12. MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware that the Muvattupuzha and Devicolum taluks are very backward in communication facilities when compared to other taluks and whether they will be pleased to increase the facilities for communication by completing the roads already begun and sanctioning fresh roads applied for by the public?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI : Estimates for new roads have been sanctioned and the works are in various stages of progress. Other road schemes are also under investigation as recommended by the P. W. D. Advisory Committee.

Bridge at Moolepilackal, near Manimala.

13. MR. K. G. KESAVAN NAIR (*Changanacherry cum Peermade*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the people have petitioned for the construction of a bridge at Moolepilackal near Manimala in Changanacherry taluk;
- (b) whether any action has been taken thereon;
- (c) the amount sanctioned hitherto for the same;
- (d) the amount hitherto spent for the same;
- (e) the nature of the work hitherto done;
- (f) why the bridge was not constructed; and
- (g) will the Government be pleased to immediately proceed with the construction of the proposed bridge?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI : (a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) None recently.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

(f) Owing to financial stringency for some years and now owing to the high cost of materials and difficulty in getting them.

(g) No, till the conditions improve.

Bridge on the east of the Kayamkulam Municipal Market.

14. MR. A. P. UDAYABHANU (*Karunagapalli cum Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the bridge to the east of the Kayamkulam Municipal vegetable market is not unfit for traffic;
- (b) if so, how long has it been in that condition; and
- (c) why the work of repairing it is being delayed?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI : (a) The bridge is intended now for pedestrian traffic only, and is fit for that purpose.

(b) & (c) Do not arise.